



# Molecular Representation Learning and Property Prediction

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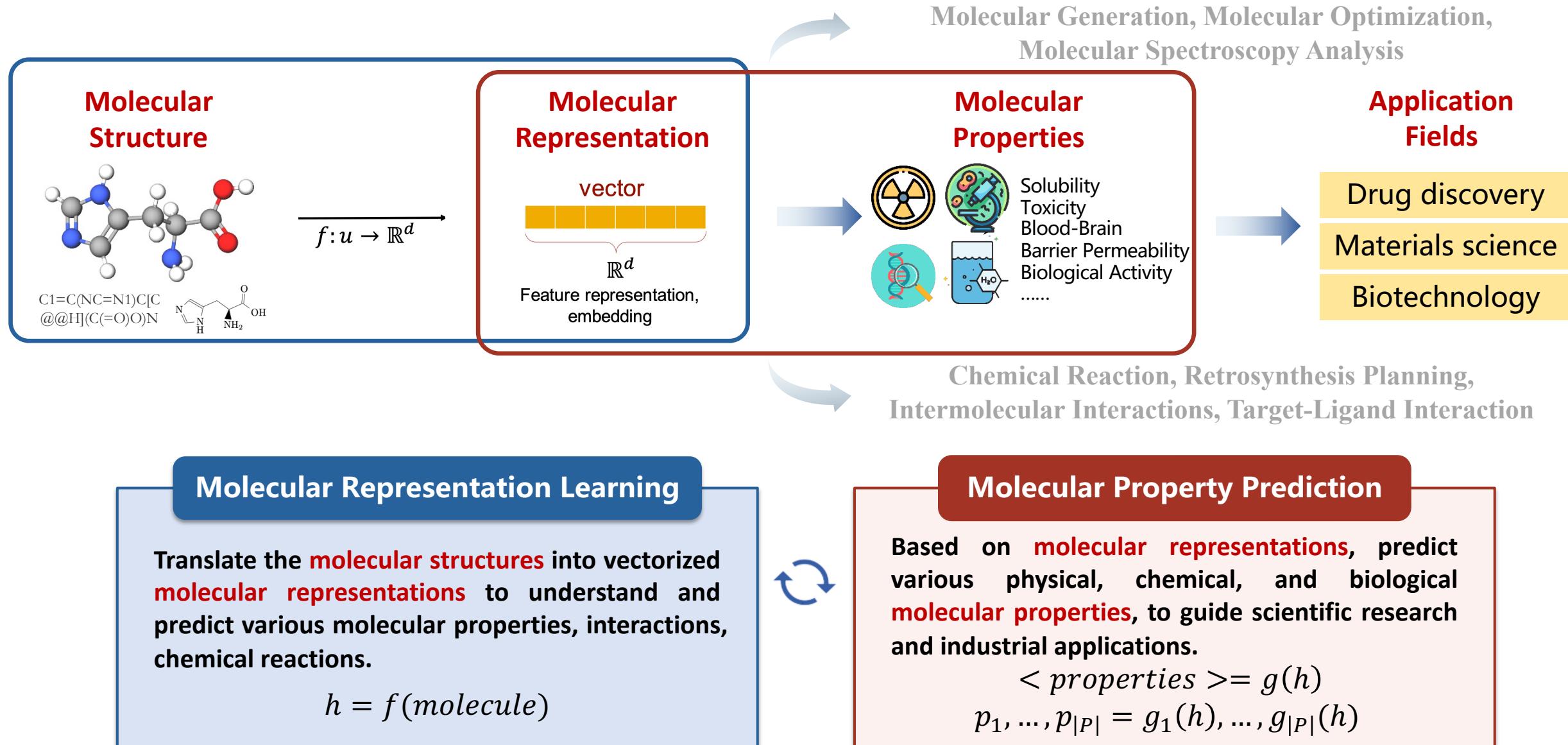
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# Research Background



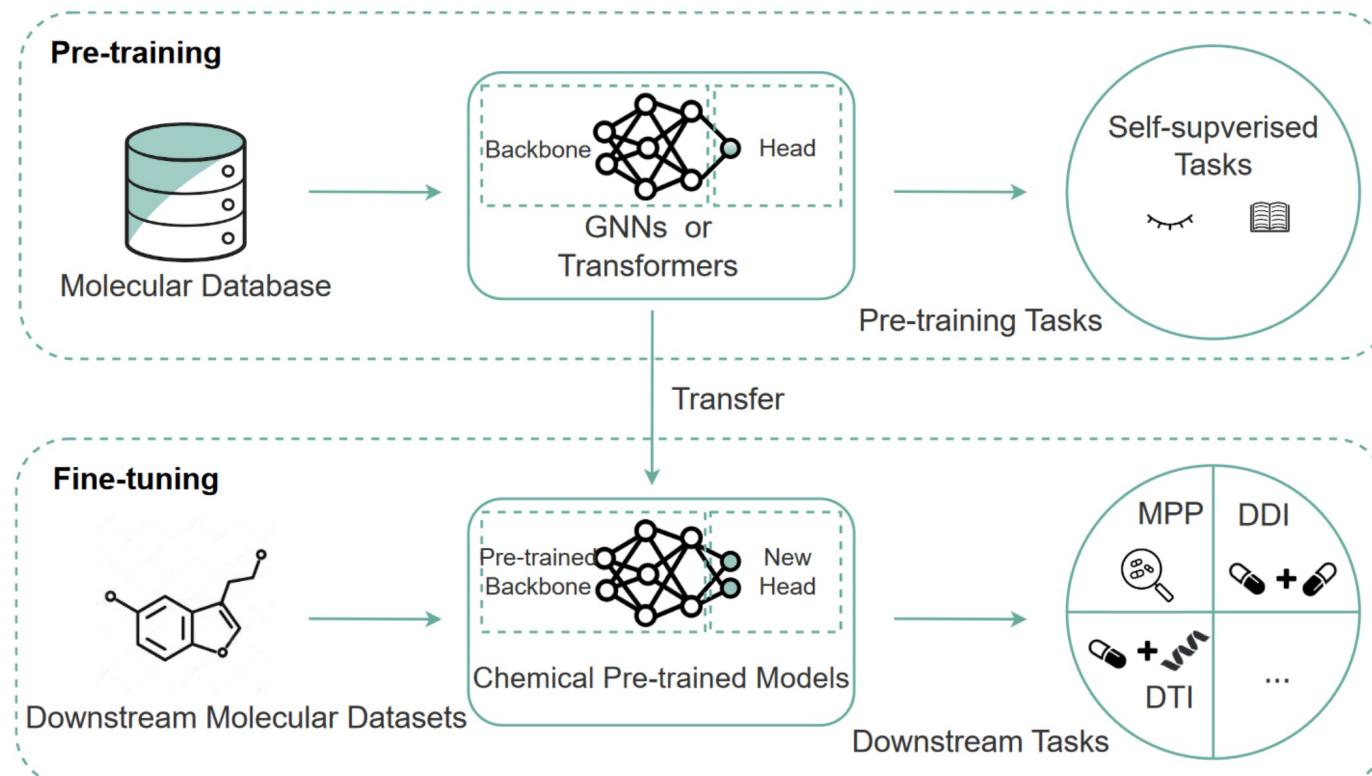
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## Challenges of supervised molecular representation learning

(1) Scarcity of labeled data.

(2) Poor out-of-distribution generalization capability.

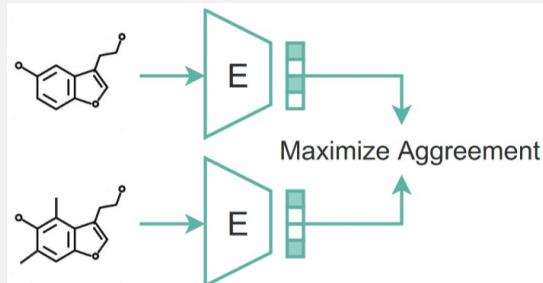
## Pipeline of Molecular Representation Pre-training



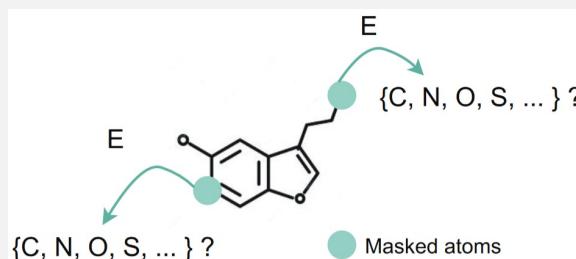
- ✓ Pre-trained on large-scale unlabeled molecules.
- ✓ Fine-tuned on various downstream tasks.

## Self-supervised Strategies

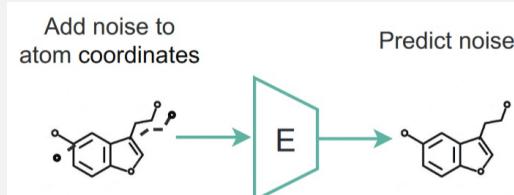
### Contrastive Learning



### Masked Components Modeling



### Denoising



### Representative Work:

GraphCL (NeurIPS 2020)

MoCL (KDD 2021)

MoICLR (NMI 2022)

AttrMasking (ICLR 2020)

GraphMAE (KDD 2022)

Mole-BERT (ICLR 2023)

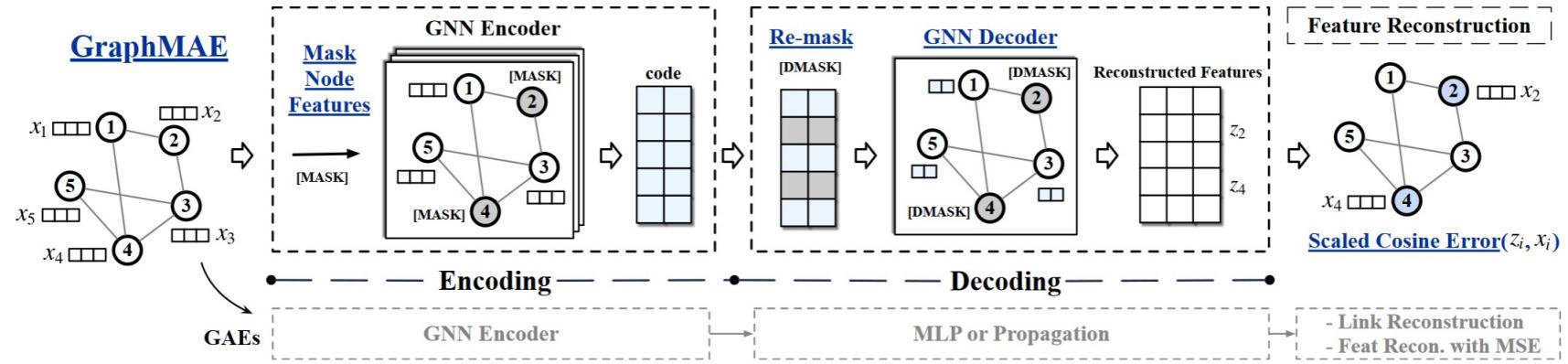
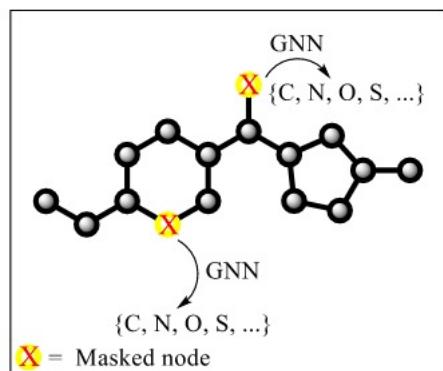
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# Masked Components Modeling

(b) Attribute Masking



1. Linear decoder -> GNN decoder
2. Remask
3. Cross entropy loss -> scaled cosine error (SCE) loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SCE}} = \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} (1 - \mathbf{x}_i^\top h(c_i))^\gamma$$

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- Denoising as learning a force field.
  - It is not feasible to learn the molecular force field directly, because it is either unknown or expensive to evaluate.
  - Alternative: approximate the data-generating force field with one that can be cheaply evaluated.
  - Prove that the denoising objective is equivalent to learning the molecular force field:
    - Molecular structure:  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{3N}$
    - The structure follows the Boltzmann distribution:  $p_{\text{physical}}(\mathbf{x}) \propto \exp(-E(\mathbf{x}))$
    - Force field:  $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_{\text{physical}}(\mathbf{x}) = -\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} E(\mathbf{x})$
    - Approximate  $p_{\text{physical}}$  with a mixture of Gaussians centered at the known equilibrium structures

$$p_{\text{physical}}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \approx q_{\sigma}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n q_{\sigma}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \mid \mathbf{x}_i)$$

where  $q_{\sigma}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \mid \mathbf{x}_i) = \mathcal{N}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}; \mathbf{x}_i, \sigma^2 I_{3N})$

# Background

- Denoising as learning a force field. (Cont.)

- Learning the force field now yields a score-matching objective:

$$\mathbb{E}_{q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})} \left[ \| \text{GNN}_\theta(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) - \nabla_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} \log q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \|^2 \right] \quad (1)$$

- According to reference [1], minimizing the following two objectives is equivalent:

$$J_1(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})} \left[ \| \text{GNN}_\theta(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) - \nabla_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} \log q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \|^2 \right]$$

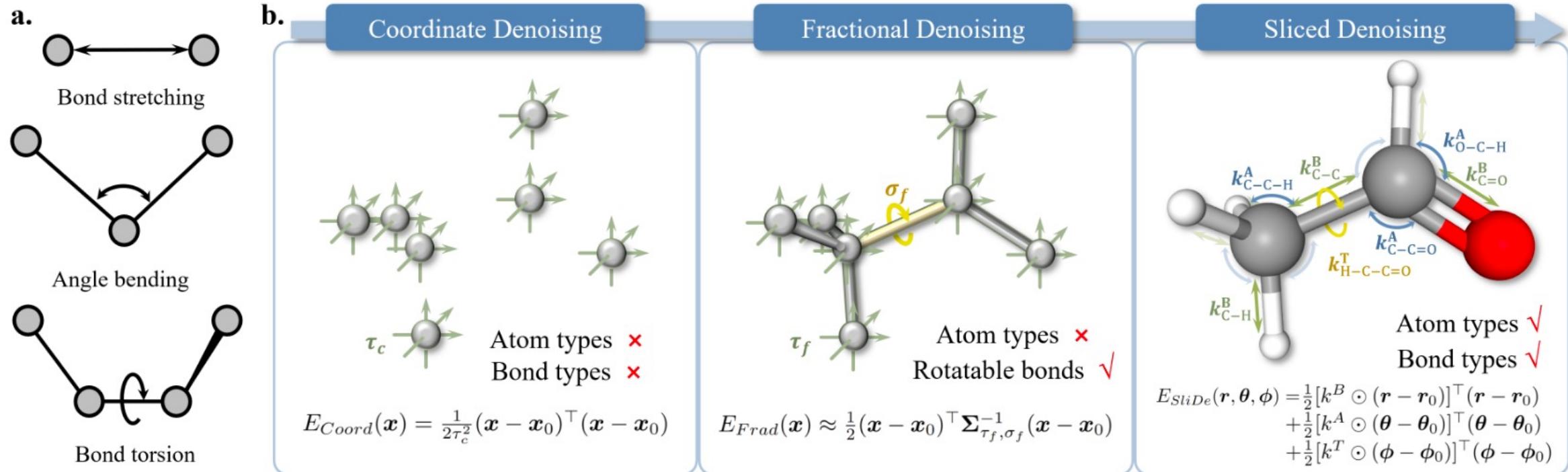
$$J_2(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{x})} \left[ \| \text{GNN}_\theta(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) - \nabla_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} \log q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \mid \mathbf{x}) \|^2 \right]$$

- Thus, the objective in Eq. (1) is equivalent to:

$$\mathbb{E}_{q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{x})} \left[ \| \text{GNN}_\theta(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) - \nabla_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} \log q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \mid \mathbf{x}) \|^2 \right] = \mathbb{E}_{q_\sigma(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{x})} \left[ \left\| \text{GNN}_\theta(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) - \frac{\mathbf{x} - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}}{\sigma^2} \right\|^2 \right]$$

[1] Pascal Vincent. “A Connection Between Score Matching and Denoising Autoencoders.” *Neural Computation* July 2011

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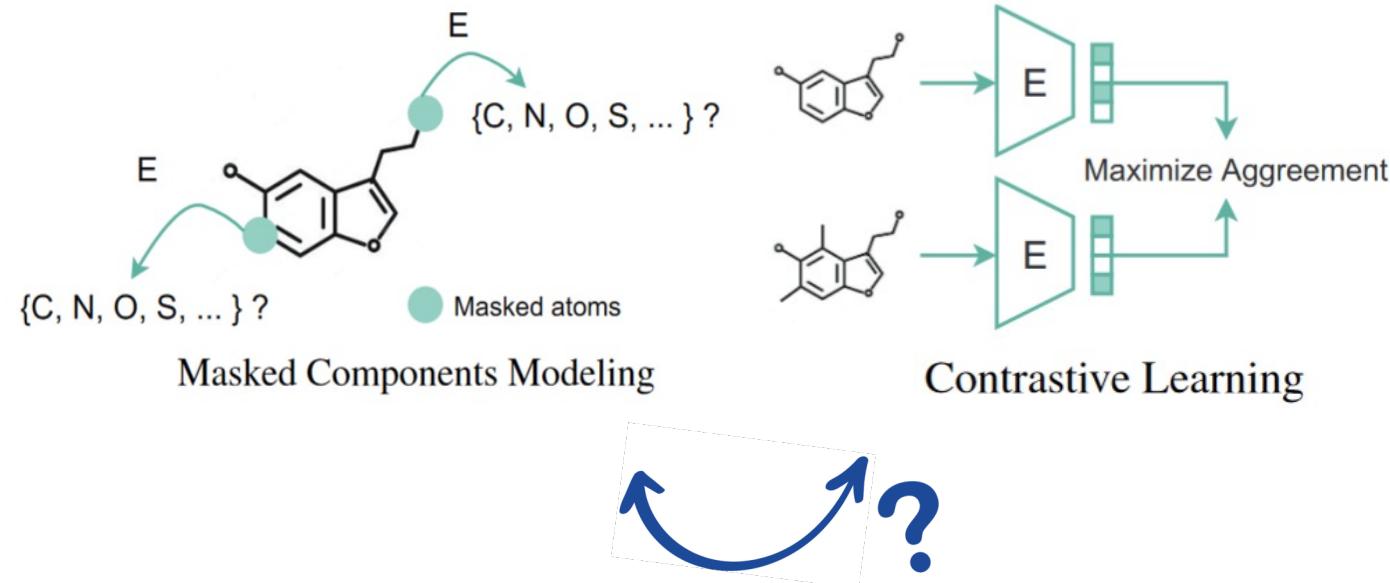
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*Are GraphMAE and GCL completely different methods, or **do they share any commonality?***

## Theoretical Understanding of GraphMAE

**Assumption 4.1.** For any graph decoder  $g$ , we assume the existence of a pseudo-inverse graph encoder  $f_g$  such that the resulting pseudo graph autoencoder  $h_g = g \circ f_g$  satisfies  $\mathbb{E}_x \|h_g(x) - x\|^2 \leq \varepsilon$ , where  $x$  represents the feature of masked node  $v \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Under Assumption 4.1, the SCE loss in Eq. (2) can be lower bounded by a pretext loss:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{SCE}}(h) &\geq \frac{\gamma}{2} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Pretext}}(h) - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon + \text{const}, \\ \text{where } \mathcal{L}_{\text{Pretext}}(h) &= -\mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} h_g(x_i)^\top h(c_i). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

**Definition 4.3. (Context-Level Alignment Loss)** The alignment loss for positive context pairs  $(c, c^+)$  is defined as:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Align}}^c(h) = -\mathbb{E}_{(c, c^+) \sim p_{\text{pos}}^c} h(c)^\top h(c^+). \quad (7)$$

**Theorem 4.4.** The pretext loss in Eq. (6) can be lower bounded by the context-level alignment loss in Eq. (7):

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Pretext}}(h) \geq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Align}}^c(h) + \text{const}. \quad (8)$$

**Theorem 4.5.** Under Assumption 4.1, GraphMAE's node-level reconstruction loss in Eq. (2) can be lower bounded by the context-level alignment loss in Eq. (7):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{SCE}}(h) &\geq \frac{\gamma}{4} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Align}}^c(h) - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon + \text{const} \\ &= -\frac{\gamma}{4} \mathbb{E}_{c, c^+} h(c)^\top h(c^+) - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon + \text{const}. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

### Proof Sketch

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{SCE}} &= \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} (1 - x_i^\top h(c_i))^\gamma \\ &\geq \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} (1 - \gamma x_i^\top h(c_i)) \quad (\text{Bernoulli's inequality}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} (1 - \gamma (1 - \frac{1}{2} \|x_i - h(c_i)\|^2)) \quad (\text{features are normalized}) \\ &= 1 - \gamma + \frac{\gamma}{2} \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} \|x_i - h(c_i)\|^2 \\ &= 1 - \gamma + \frac{\gamma}{2} \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} (\|x_i - h(c_i)\|^2 + \varepsilon) - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon \quad (\text{Assumption 4.1}) \\ &\geq 1 - \gamma + \frac{\gamma}{2} \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} (\|x_i - h(c_i)\|^2 + \|h_g(x_i) - x_i\|^2) - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon. \\ &\geq 1 - \gamma + \frac{\gamma}{4} \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} \|h_g(x_i) - h(c_i)\|^2 - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon \\ &= 1 - \gamma + \frac{\gamma}{4} \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} (2 - 2h_g(x_i)^\top h(c_i)) - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon \\ &= -\frac{\gamma}{2} \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}} h_g(x_i)^\top h(c_i) - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon + 1 - \frac{\gamma}{2} \\ &= \frac{\gamma}{2} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Pretext}}(h) - \frac{\gamma}{2} \varepsilon + \text{const}. \end{aligned}$$

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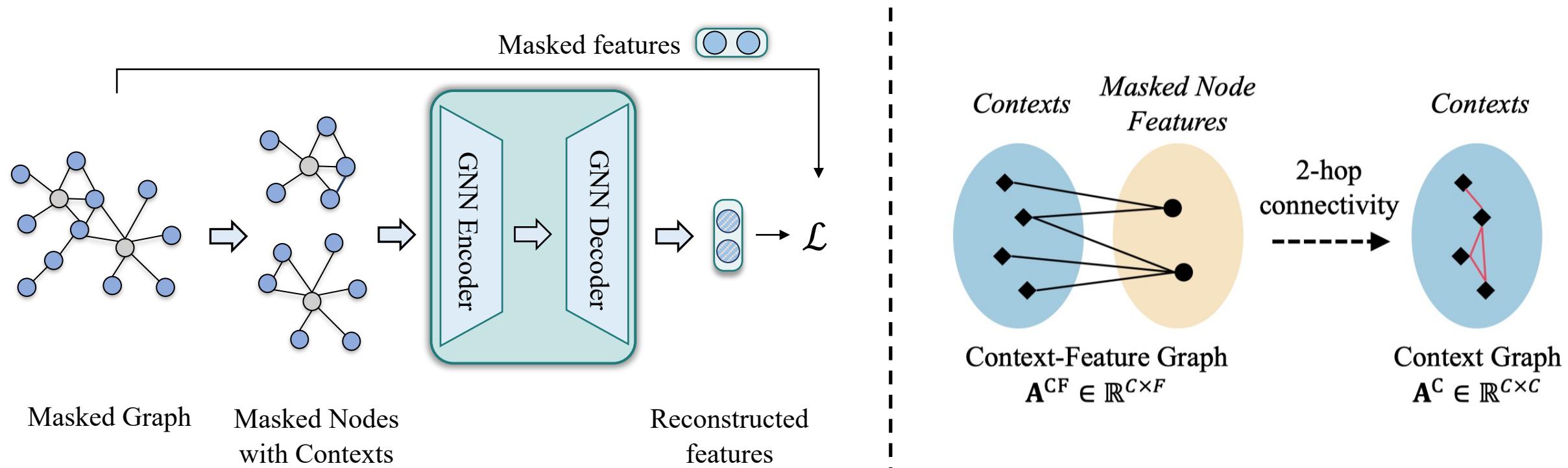
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Pretext}}(h) &= -\text{tr}(H_g^\top \tilde{A}_{\text{CF}} H) \\ &\geq -\frac{1}{2} \left( \|H_g\|_F^2 + \|\tilde{A}_{\text{CF}} H\|_F^2 \right) \quad (\text{tr}(AB) \leq \frac{1}{2} (\|A\|_F^2 + \|B\|_F^2)) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(\tilde{A}_{\text{CF}}^\top \tilde{A}_{\text{CF}} H H^\top) - \frac{1}{2} \quad (\|H_g\|_F^2 = \sum_{f_j} d_{f_j} \|h_g(f_j)\|^2 = 1) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{c, c^+} \sum_{f_j} \frac{w_{c, f_j} w_{c^+, f_j}}{d_{f_j}} h(c)^\top h(c^+) - \frac{1}{2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{c, c^+} (A_C)_{c, c^+} h(c)^\top h(c^+) - \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{\text{align}}^c(h) - \frac{1}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

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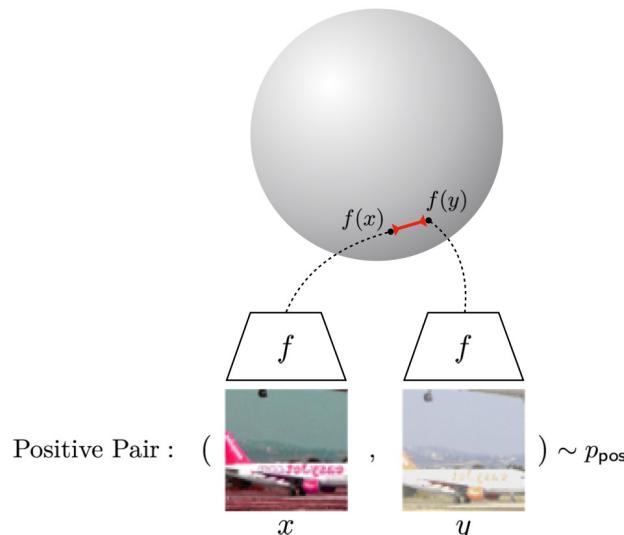
**Intuitive Explanation:**



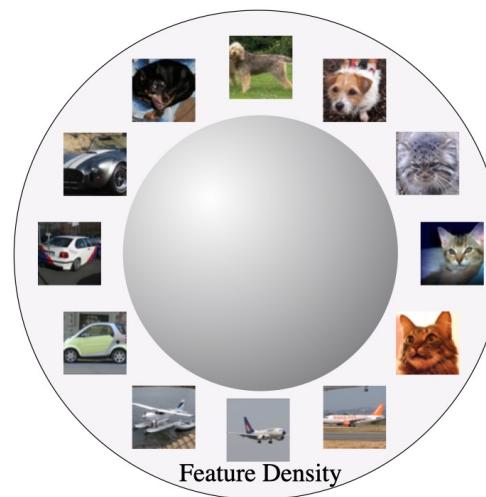
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Measure representation quality of GraphMAE:

- Representation Alignment?
- Representation Uniformity?



**Alignment:** Similar samples have similar features.  
(Figure inspired by Tian et al. (2019).)



**Uniformity:** Preserve maximal information.

Note:

- **Alignment (一致性)** refers to the concentration of samples from the same class within the same region of the hypersphere.
- **Uniformity (均匀性)** refers to the uniform distribution of all samples on the hypersphere.

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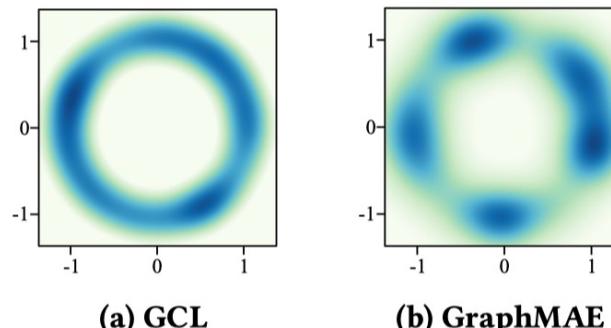
## Limitations of GraphMAE:

- Alignment performance is still restricted by the mask distribution, which is decided by the masking strategy.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SCE}} = \mathbb{E}_{v_i \in \widetilde{\mathcal{V}}} \left( 1 - x_i^T \cdot g(f(c_i)) \right)^\gamma, \gamma \geq 1,$$

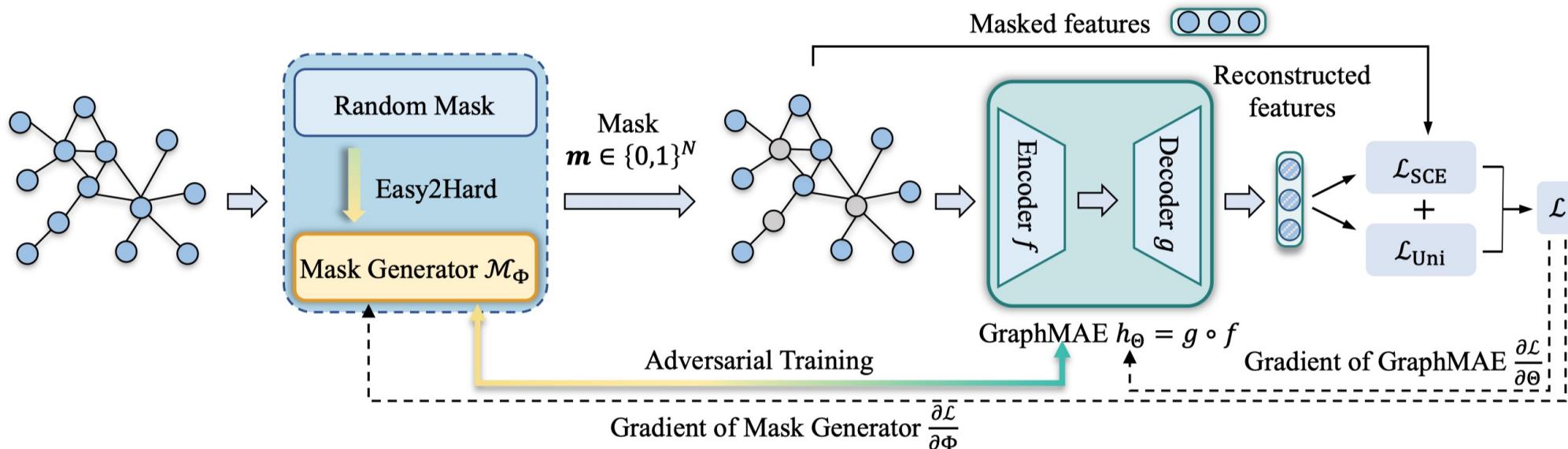
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Align}}^c(h) = - \mathbb{E}_{c, c^+} h(c)^\top h(c^+).$$

- Uniformity performance is **not strictly guaranteed**



**Figure 1: Distribution of nodes representations on the unit hypersphere learned by GCL (taking GRACE [52] as an example) and GraphMAE [7].** The representations learned by GCL is more uniformly distributed than GraphMAE.

# Alignment-Uniformity Enhanced Graph Masked Autoencoders



## Alignment Enhancement

- Adversarial Masking

$$\Phi^\star = \arg \max_{\Phi} (\mathcal{L}_{SCE}(\mathcal{G}; \Theta, \Phi) - \lambda_1 \sin(\frac{\pi}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N m_i)^{-1}),$$

$$\Theta^\star = \arg \min_{\Theta} (\mathcal{L}_{SCE}(\mathcal{G}; \Theta, \Phi) + (1 - \alpha_{adv})\lambda_2 \mathcal{L}_{Uni}(\mathcal{G}; \Theta)),$$

- Easy-to-Hard Masking

$$prob(t) = (1 - \alpha_{adv}(t)) \cdot prob_{rand} + \alpha_{adv}(t) \cdot prob_{adv}(t),$$

$$\alpha_{adv}(t) = \alpha_0 + \Delta\alpha(t) = \alpha_0 + \left(\frac{t}{T}\right)^\eta \cdot (\alpha_T - \alpha_0),$$

## Uniformity Enhancement

- Explicit Uniformity Regularizer

$$\mathcal{L}_{Uni} = \log \mathbb{E}_{(z_i, z_j) \sim p_{data}} e^{-t \|z_i - z_j\|^2},$$

# Experimental Results

## Performance on node classification and graph classification.

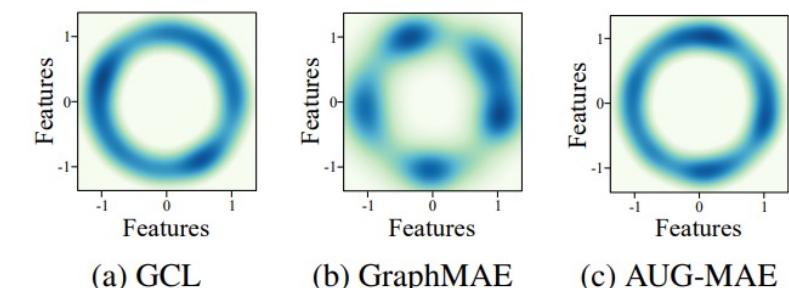
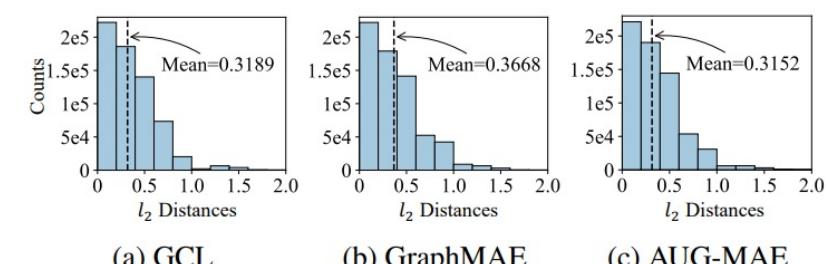
	Method	Cora	CiteSeer	PubMed	Ogbn-arxiv	PPI	Reddit	Corafull	Flickr	WikiCS	A.R.
Contrastive	DGI	$82.3 \pm 0.6$	$71.8 \pm 0.7$	$76.8 \pm 0.6$	$70.3 \pm 0.2$	$63.8 \pm 0.2$	$94.0 \pm 0.1$	$48.2 \pm 0.5$	$45.0 \pm 0.2$	$64.8 \pm 0.6$	7.89
	MVGRL	$83.5 \pm 0.4$	$\underline{73.3 \pm 0.5}$	$80.1 \pm 0.7$	-	-	-	$52.6 \pm 0.5$	-	$64.8 \pm 0.7$	5.20
	GRACE	$81.9 \pm 0.4$	$71.2 \pm 0.5$	$80.6 \pm 0.4$	$71.5 \pm 0.1$	$69.7 \pm 0.2$	$94.7 \pm 0.1$	$45.2 \pm 0.1$	-	$68.0 \pm 0.7$	6.50
	BGRL	$82.7 \pm 0.6$	$71.1 \pm 0.8$	$79.6 \pm 0.5$	$\underline{71.6 \pm 0.1}$	$73.6 \pm 0.2$	$94.2 \pm 0.1$	$47.4 \pm 0.5$	$39.4 \pm 0.1$	$65.5 \pm 1.5$	6.56
	InfoGCL	$83.5 \pm 0.3$	<b><math>73.5 \pm 0.4</math></b>	$79.1 \pm 0.2$	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.67
	CCA-SSG	$84.0 \pm 0.4$	$73.1 \pm 0.3$	$81.0 \pm 0.4$	$71.2 \pm 0.2$	$73.3 \pm 0.2$	$95.1 \pm 0.1$	$53.5 \pm 0.4$	$49.1 \pm 0.1$	$67.4 \pm 0.9$	3.89
Generative	SeeGera	$82.8 \pm 0.3$	$71.6 \pm 0.2$	$79.2 \pm 0.3$	$71.2 \pm 0.3$	$73.4 \pm 0.3$	$95.2 \pm 0.2$	$52.0 \pm 0.4$	$49.4 \pm 0.5$	$65.8 \pm 0.2$	5.78
	MaskGAE	$82.6 \pm 0.3$	$73.1 \pm 0.6$	$\underline{81.0 \pm 0.3}$	$71.2 \pm 0.3$	$73.9 \pm 0.3$	$95.4 \pm 0.1$	$52.2 \pm 0.1$	$49.1 \pm 0.4$	$66.0 \pm 0.2$	4.78
	GraphMAE	$84.0 \pm 0.6$	$73.1 \pm 0.4$	$80.9 \pm 0.4$	$71.3 \pm 0.6$	$74.1 \pm 0.4$	$95.8 \pm 0.4$	$53.3 \pm 0.4$	$49.5 \pm 0.5$	$70.6 \pm 0.9$	3.00
	AUG-MAE	<b><math>84.3 \pm 0.4</math></b>	$73.2 \pm 0.4$	<b><math>81.4 \pm 0.4</math></b>	<b><math>71.9 \pm 0.2</math></b>	<b><math>74.3 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>96.1 \pm 0.1</math></b>	<b><math>57.6 \pm 0.3</math></b>	<b><math>50.3 \pm 0.2</math></b>	<b><math>71.7 \pm 0.6</math></b>	<b>1.22</b>

Table 1: Node classification results on benchmarks. We report Micro-F1(%) score for PPI and accuracy(%) for the other datasets. The best results are highlighted in **bold** and the runner ups are highlighted with underlines. A.R. means the average rank.

	Method	IMDB-B	IMDB-M	PROTEINS	COLLAB	MUTAG	REDDIT-B	A.R.
Contrastive	Graph2vec	$71.10 \pm 0.54$	$50.44 \pm 0.87$	$73.30 \pm 2.05$	-	$83.15 \pm 9.25$	$75.78 \pm 1.03$	7.00
	InfoGraph	$73.03 \pm 0.87$	$49.69 \pm 0.53$	$74.44 \pm 0.31$	$70.65 \pm 1.13$	$89.01 \pm 1.13$	$82.50 \pm 1.42$	5.17
	GraphCL	$71.14 \pm 0.44$	$48.58 \pm 0.67$	$74.39 \pm 0.45$	$71.36 \pm 1.15$	$86.80 \pm 1.34$	$89.53 \pm 0.84$	5.83
	JOAO	$70.21 \pm 3.08$	$49.20 \pm 0.77$	$74.55 \pm 0.41$	$69.50 \pm 0.36$	$87.35 \pm 1.02$	$85.29 \pm 1.35$	6.33
	GCC	72.0	49.4	-	78.9	-	<b>89.8</b>	4.50
	MVGRL	$74.20 \pm 0.70$	$51.20 \pm 0.50$	-	-	$89.70 \pm 1.10$	$84.50 \pm 0.60$	4.00
	InfoGCL	$75.10 \pm 0.90$	$\underline{51.40 \pm 0.80}$	-	$80.00 \pm 1.30$	$88.28 \pm 0.98$	-	2.25
Generative	GraphMAE	$75.30 \pm 0.59$	$51.35 \pm 0.78$	$75.30 \pm 0.52$	$80.32 \pm 0.42$	$88.19 \pm 1.26$	$87.83 \pm 0.25$	3.00
	AUG-MAE	<b><math>75.56 \pm 0.61</math></b>	<b><math>51.80 \pm 0.86</math></b>	<b><math>75.83 \pm 0.24</math></b>	<b><math>80.48 \pm 0.50</math></b>	<b><math>91.20 \pm 1.30</math></b>	$87.98 \pm 0.43$	<b>1.83</b>

Table 2: Graph classification results on benchmarks. We report accuracy(%) for all datasets. The best results are highlighted in **bold** and the runner ups are highlighted with underlines. A.R. means the average rank.

## Performance on representation alignment and uniformity.





[NeurIPS 2024]  
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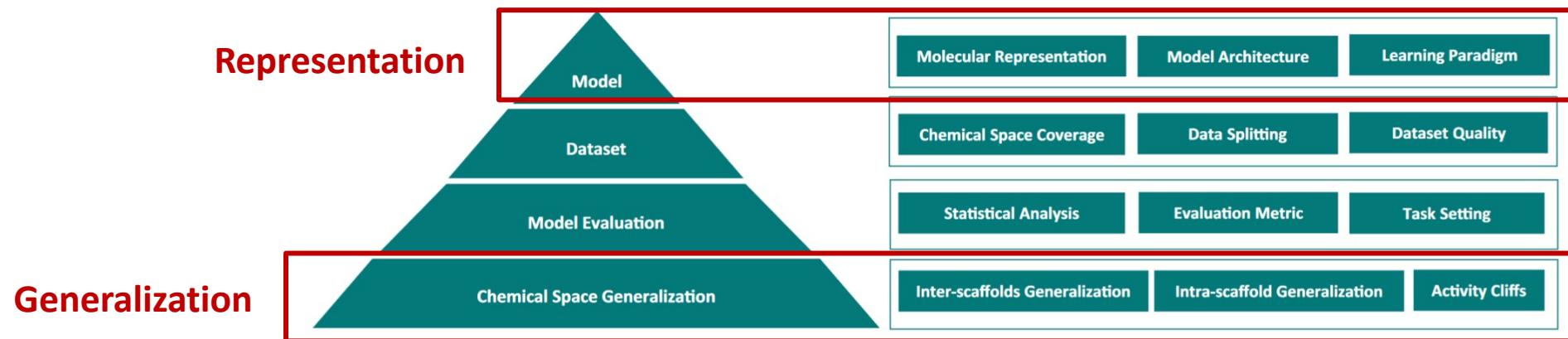
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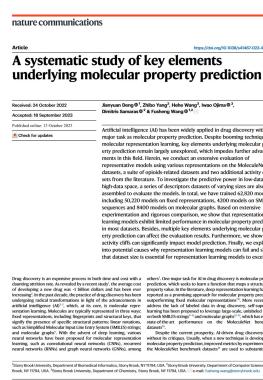
# Few-Shot Molecular Property Prediction

## Key Elements underlying Molecular Property Prediction



**Fig. 1 | Key elements underlying molecular property prediction.** There are four aspects involved: model, dataset, model evaluation, and generalization. In the literature, the focus is more on the model, which aims at developing novel learning paradigms or model architectures on certain molecular representations. However, it is also necessary to consider other crucial elements, pertaining to (1) what the model is built upon, (2) how the model is evaluated, and (3) eventually what the model is capable of. For the dataset, its chemical space coverage (w.r.t. both structures and

labels), and scrutiny of its quality, including dataset size and label accuracy (e.g., duplicates, contradictions, and noise), as well as data splitting, is essential before developing a model for a specific property prediction task. For the model evaluation, thoughtful consideration of statistical analysis, evaluation metrics, and task settings is critical as they impact the observed prediction performance. For the chemical space generalization, it is important to clarify the model's applicability and if the activity-cliffs issue is addressed.



[1] “A Systematic Study of Key Elements Underlying Molecular Property Prediction.” *Nature Communications*, 2023

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## Representative Work

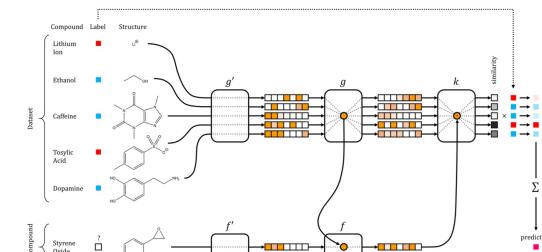


Figure 1. Schematic of Network Architecture for one-shot learning in drug discovery.

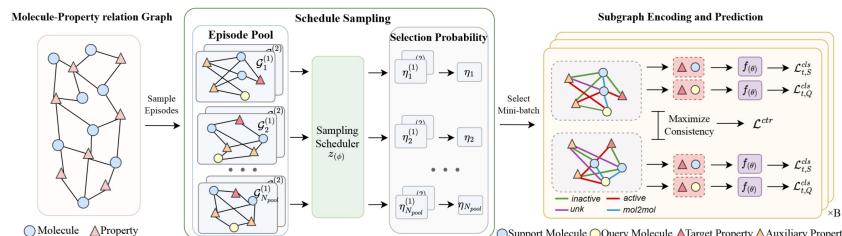
IterRefLSTM, ACS Central Science, 2017

Meta-MGNN, WWW, 2021

PAR, NeurIPS, 2021

ADKF-IFT, ICLR, 2023

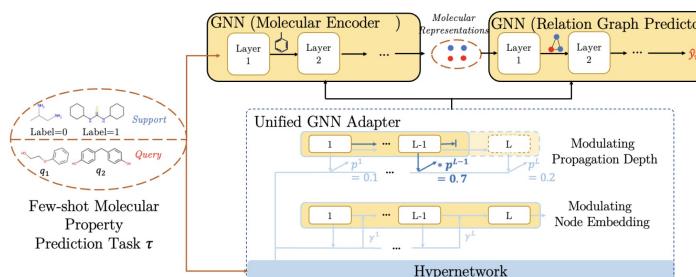
## Matching Network, Meta-Learning, Pre-trained Encoder



GS-Meta, IJCAI, 2023

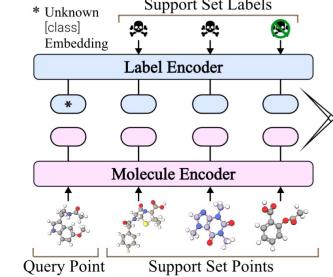
## Molecular Context

MHNfs, ICLR, 2023



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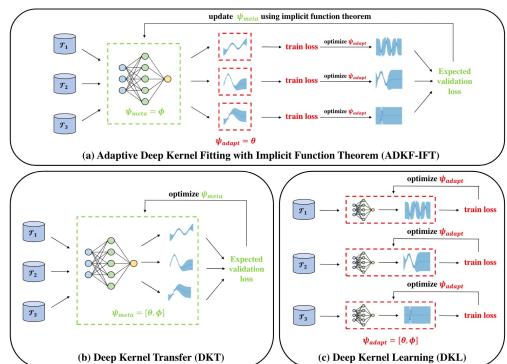
## Adaptation (hypernetwork, in-context learning)



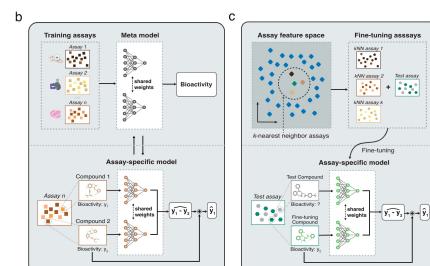
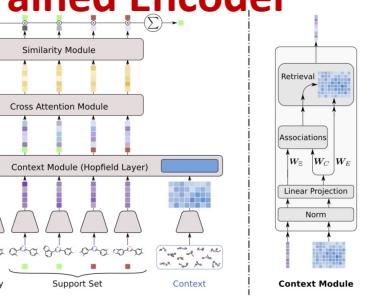
CAMP, submitted to ICLR 2024

MTA, SDM 2023

## Cross-property (task augmentation, pairwise learning)



ADKF-IFT, ICLR, 2023



# Few-Shot Molecular Property Prediction

## Evaluation Benchmark

### MoleculeNet

A Benchmark for Molecular Machine Learning

#### Dataset Details

Category	Dataset	Data Type	Task Type	# Tasks	# Compounds	Rec - Split <sup>a</sup>	Rec - Metric <sup>b</sup>
Quantum Mechanics	QM7	SMILES, 3D coordinates	Regression	1	7160	Stratified	MAE
	QM7b	3D coordinates	Regression	14	7210	Random	MAE
	QM8	SMILES, 3D coordinates	Regression	12	21786	Random	MAE
Physical Chemistry	QM9	SMILES, 3D coordinates	Regression	12	133885	Random	MAE
	ESOL	SMILES	Regression	1	1128	Random	RMSE
	FreeSolv	SMILES	Regression	1	642	Random	RMSE
	Lipophilicity	SMILES	Regression	1	4200	Random	RMSE
Biophysics	PCBA	SMILES	Classification	128	437929	Random	PRC-AUC
	MUV	SMILES	Classification	17	93087	Random	PRC-AUC
	HIV	SMILES	Classification	1	41127	Scaffold	ROC-AUC
	PDBbind	SMILES, 3D coordinates	Regression	1	11908	Time	RMSE
	BACE	SMILES	Classification	1	1513	Scaffold	ROC-AUC
Physiology	BBBP	SMILES	Classification	1	2039	Scaffold	ROC-AUC
	Tox21	SMILES	Classification	12	7831	Random	ROC-AUC
	ToxCast	SMILES	Classification	617	8575	Random	ROC-AUC
	SIDER	SMILES	Classification	27	1427	Random	ROC-AUC
	ClinTox	SMILES	Classification	2	1478	Random	ROC-AUC

Dataset	Tox21	SIDER	MUV	ToxCast	PCBA
#Compound	7831	1427	93127	8575	437929
#Property	12	27	17	617	128
#Train Property	9	21	12	451	118
#Test Property	3	6	5	158	10
%Positive Label	6.24	56.76	0.31	12.60	0.84
%Negative Label	76.71	43.24	15.76	72.43	59.84
%Unknown Label	17.05	0	84.21	14.97	39.32

#### Molecular Property Prediction, N-way K-shot

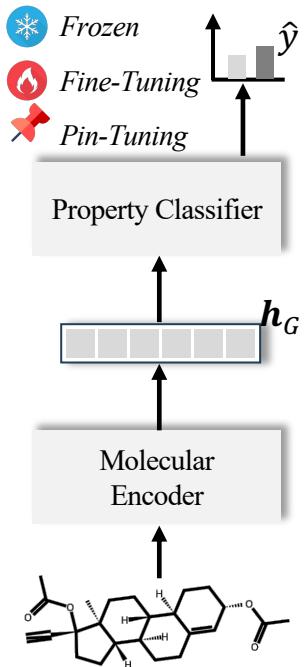
### FS-Mol: A Few-Shot Learning Dataset of Molecules

	Datasets			
	ExCAPE-ML	PCBA	LSC	FS-Mol
# measurements	49,316,517	34,017,170	5,100,411	489,133
# compounds	955,386	437,929	449,391	233,786
# tasks	526	128	1310	5120
Mean # compounds / task	93,758	265,759	3872	94
Median # compounds / task	1820	309,562	320	46
Mean inactive:active / task	268:1	46:1	7:1	1:1
Raw values available?	Yes	No	No	Yes
Source	PubChem/ChEMBL	PubChem	ChEMBL18	ChEMBL27

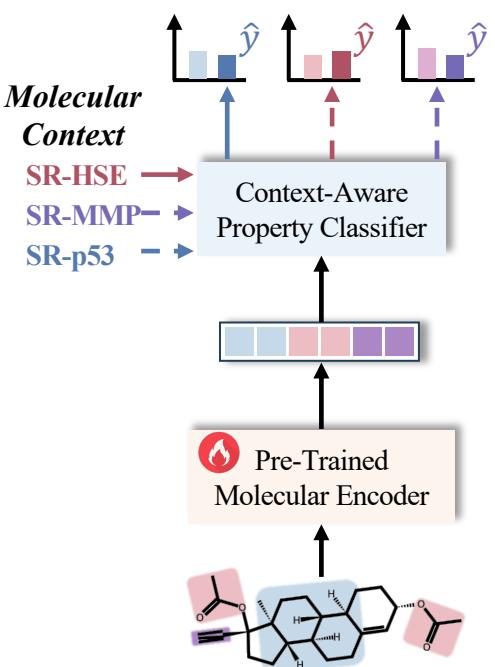
Bioactivity Prediction, N-shot (support set size), Stratified Random Split

# Recent Work II —— Pin-Tuning

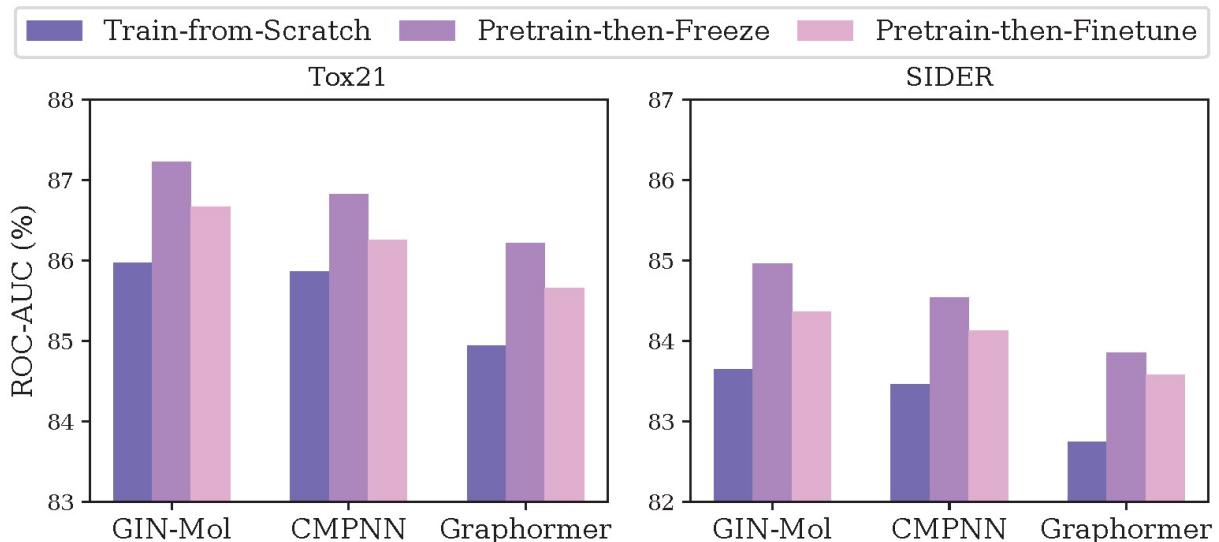
## Few-Shot Molecular Property Prediction



(a) Vanilla MPP framework.



(b) Existing FSMPP framework.



### Observation

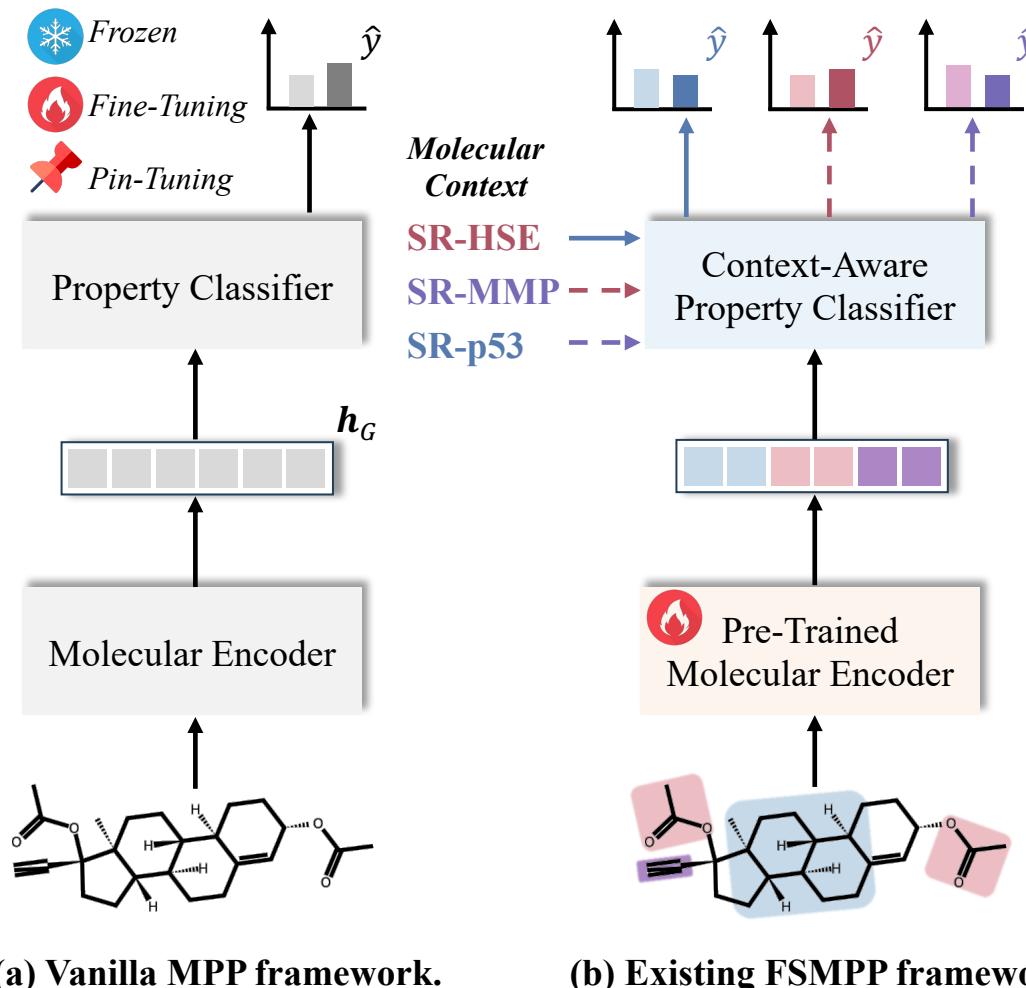
Train-from-Scratch < Pretrain-then-Finetune  $\leq$  Pretrain-then-Freeze

Pre-training is effective, but fine-tuning is ineffective.

**How to adapt molecular pre-trained models to downstream tasks, especially in few-shot scenarios?**

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## Few-Shot Molecular Property Prediction

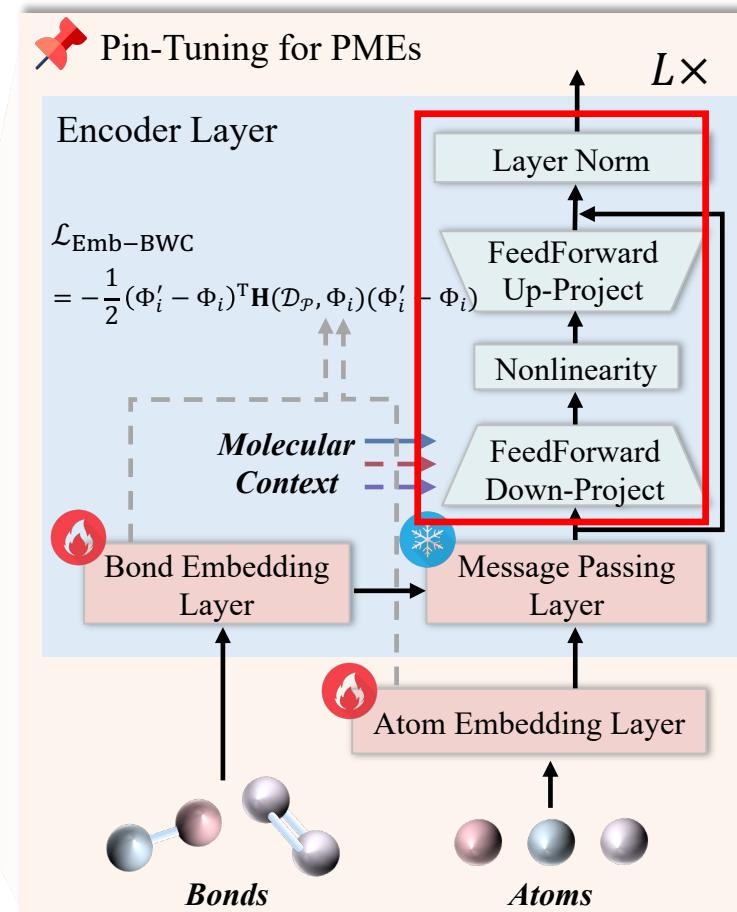
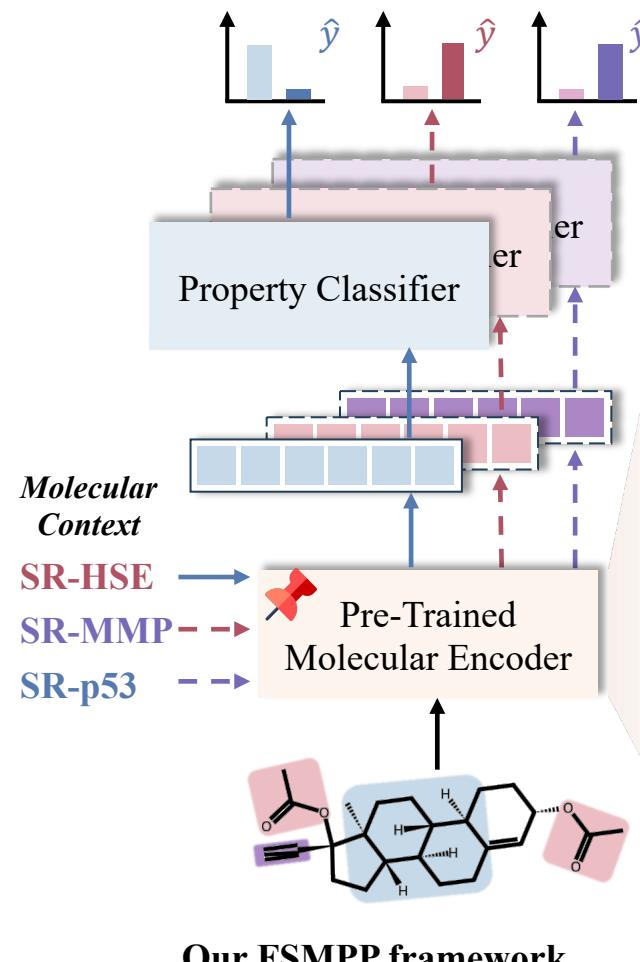


### Reasons:

1. **Imbalance between the abundance of tunable parameters and the scarcity of labeled molecules.**
2. **Limited contextual perceptiveness in the encoder.**

# Recent Work II —— Pin-Tuning

## Pin-Tuning: Parameter-Efficient In-Context Tuning for Few-Shot Molecular Property Prediction



Our Pin-Tuning method for PMEs.

MP-Adapter: message passing layer-oriented adapter

$$z_v^{(l)} = \text{FeedForward}_{\text{down}}(\mathbf{h}_v^{(l)}) \in \mathbb{R}^{d_2},$$

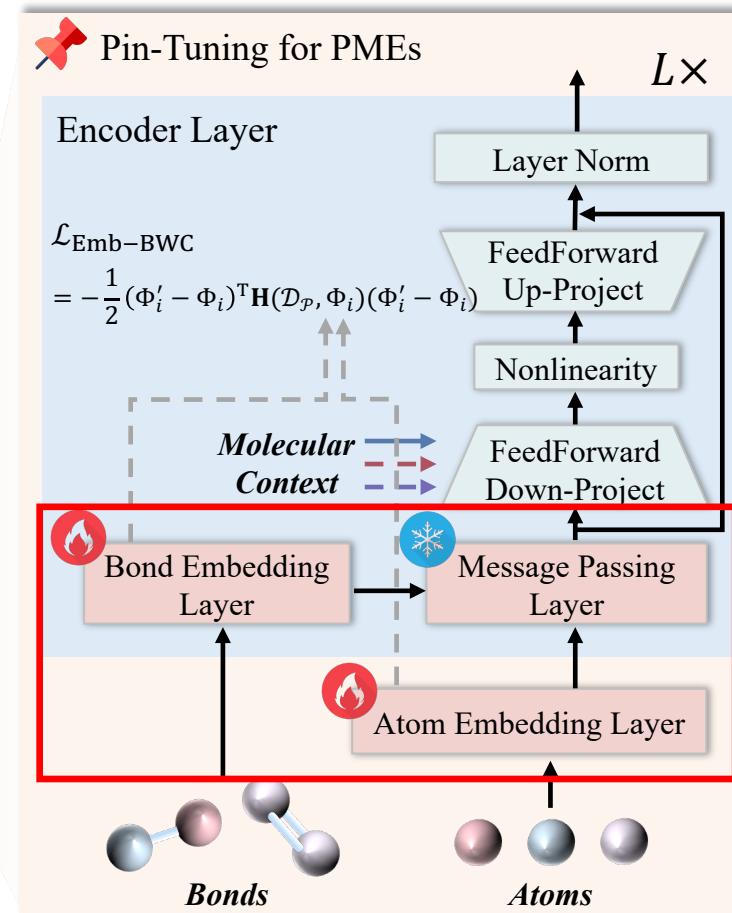
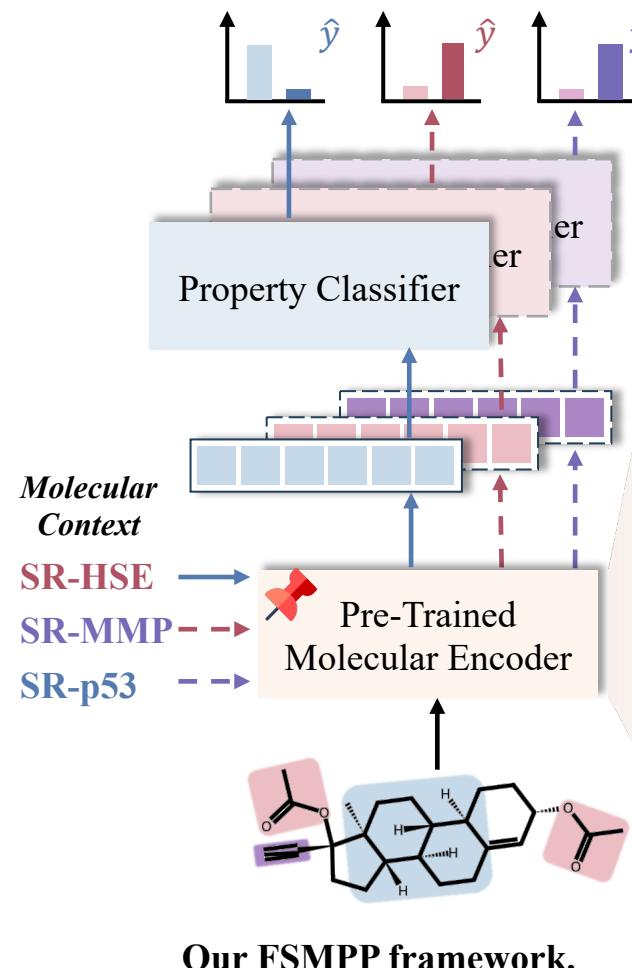
$$\Delta \mathbf{h}_v^{(l)} = \text{FeedForward}_{\text{up}}(\phi(z_v^{(l)})) \in \mathbb{R}^d,$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_v^{(l)} = \text{LayerNorm}(\mathbf{h}_v^{(l)} + \Delta \mathbf{h}_v^{(l)}) \in \mathbb{R}^d,$$

- *Bottleneck*
- *Near-zero initialization*
- *Skip-connection*

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## Pin-Tuning: Parameter-Efficient In-Context Tuning for Few-shot Molecular Property Prediction



Emb-BWC: embedding layer-oriented Bayesian weight consolidation

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Emb-BWC}} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^E (\Phi'_i - \Phi_i)^T \mathbf{H}(\mathcal{D}_P, \Phi_i) (\Phi'_i - \Phi_i),$$

- Maximum a posterior (MAP) estimation
- Bayesian learning theory
- Second-order Taylor expansion

Three choices of diagonal approximation of Hessian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Emb-BWC}}^{\text{IM}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^E \sum_{j=1}^d (\Phi'_{i,j} - \Phi_{i,j})^2$$

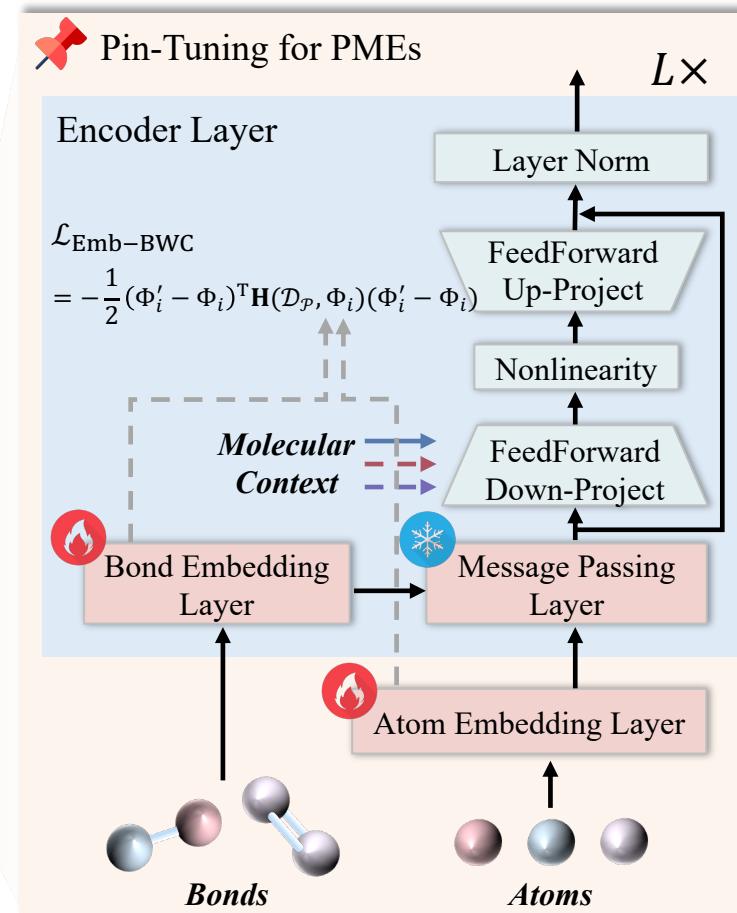
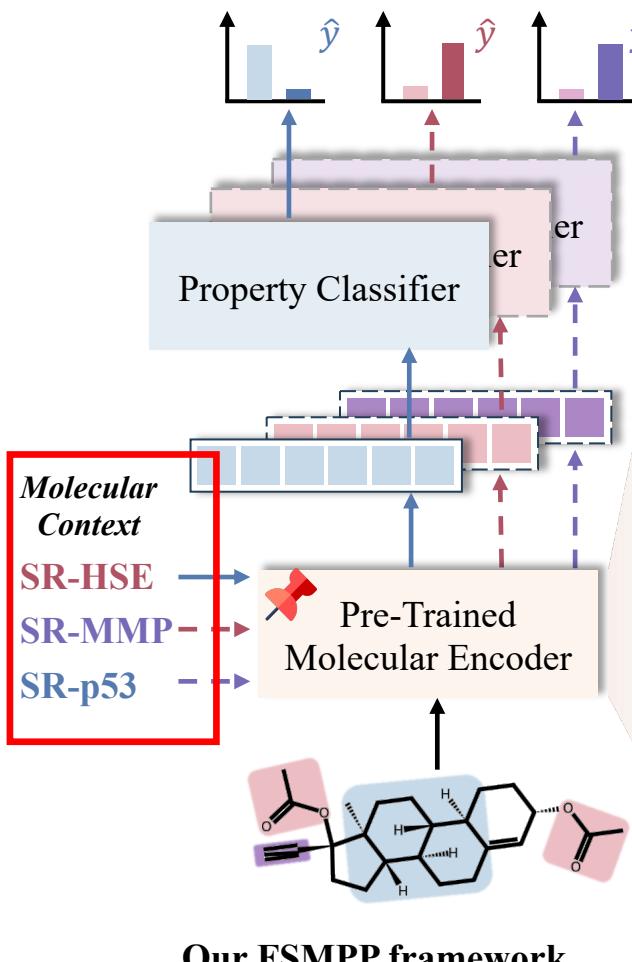
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Emb-BWC}}^{\text{FIM}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^E \hat{\mathbf{F}}_i (\Phi'_i - \Phi_i)^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Emb-BWC}}^{\text{EFIM}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^E \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_i (\tilde{\Phi}'_i - \tilde{\Phi}_i)^2$$

- Identity matrix.
- Diagonal of Fisher information matrix.
- Diagonal of embedding-wise Fisher information matrix.

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## Pin-Tuning: Parameter-efficient In-Context Tuning for Few-shot Molecular Property Prediction



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Enabling contextual perceptiveness in MP-Adapter

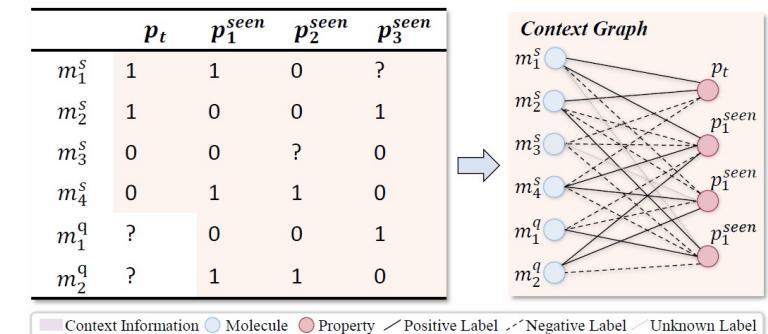


Figure 3: Convert the context information of a 2-shot episode into a context graph.

$$\mathbf{C} = \text{ContextEncoder}(\mathcal{V}_t, \mathbf{A}_t, \mathbf{X}_t)$$

$$z^{(l)} = \text{FeedForward}_{\text{down}}(\mathbf{h}_v^{(l)} \| \mathbf{c}_m \| \mathbf{c}_p),$$

# Recent Work II —— Pin-Tuning

## Experiment Results

Table 1: ROC-AUC scores (%) on benchmark datasets, compared with methods trained from scratch (first group) and methods that leverage pre-trained molecular encoder (second group). The best is marked with **boldface** and the second best is with underline.  $\Delta Improve.$  indicates the relative improvements over the baseline models in percentage.

Model	Tox21		SIDER		MUV		ToxCast		PCBA	
	10-shot	5-shot								
Siamese	80.40(0.35)	-	71.10(4.32)	-	59.96(5.13)	-	-	-	-	-
ProtoNet	74.98(0.32)	72.78(3.93)	64.54(0.89)	64.09(2.37)	65.88(4.11)	64.86(2.31)	68.87(0.43)	66.26(1.49)	64.93(1.94)	62.29(2.12)
MAML	80.21(0.24)	69.17(1.34)	70.43(0.76)	60.92(0.65)	63.90(2.28)	63.00(0.61)	68.30(0.59)	67.56(1.53)	66.22(1.31)	65.25(0.75)
TPN	76.05(0.24)	75.45(0.95)	67.84(0.95)	66.52(1.28)	65.22(5.82)	65.13(0.23)	69.47(0.71)	66.04(1.14)	67.61(0.33)	63.66(1.64)
EGNN	81.21(0.16)	76.80(2.62)	72.87(0.73)	60.61(1.06)	65.20(2.08)	63.46(2.58)	74.02(1.11)	67.13(0.50)	69.92(1.85)	67.71(3.67)
IterRefLSTM	81.10(0.17)	-	69.63(0.31)	-	49.56(5.12)	-	-	-	-	-
Pre-GNN	82.14(0.08)	82.04(0.30)	73.96(0.08)	76.76(0.53)	67.14(1.58)	70.23(1.40)	75.31(0.95)	74.43(0.47)	76.79(0.45)	75.27(0.49)
Meta-MGNN	82.97(0.10)	76.12(0.23)	75.43(0.21)	66.60(0.38)	68.99(1.84)	64.07(0.56)	76.27(0.56)	75.26(0.43)	72.58(0.34)	72.51(0.52)
PAR	84.93(0.11)	83.95(0.15)	78.08(0.16)	77.70(0.34)	69.96(1.37)	68.08(2.42)	79.41(0.08)	76.89(0.32)	73.71(0.61)	72.79(0.98)
GS-Meta	86.67(0.41)	86.43(0.02)	84.36(0.54)	84.57(0.01)	66.08(1.25)	64.50(0.20)	83.81(0.16)	82.65(0.35)	79.40(0.43)	77.47(0.29)
Pin-Tuning	<b>91.56</b> (2.57)	<b>90.95</b> (2.33)	<b>93.41</b> (3.52)	<b>92.02</b> (3.01)	<b>73.33</b> (2.00)	<b>70.71</b> (1.42)	<b>84.94</b> (1.09)	<b>83.71</b> (0.93)	<b>81.26</b> (0.46)	<b>79.23</b> (0.52)
$\Delta Improve.$	5.64%	5.23%	10.73%	8.81%	4.82%	3.86%	1.35%	1.28%	2.34%	2.27%

# Recent Work II —— Pin-Tuning

## Tunable Parameter Size Analysis

Ours (14.2% parameters, higher performance)

$$N_{Fine-Tuning} = |E_n|d + L(|E_e|d + 2dd_1 + 3d + d_1).$$

$$N_{Pin-Tuning} = |E_n|d + L(|E_e|d + 2dd_2 + 3d + d_2).$$

$$\Delta N = (d_1 - d_2)L(2d + 1).$$

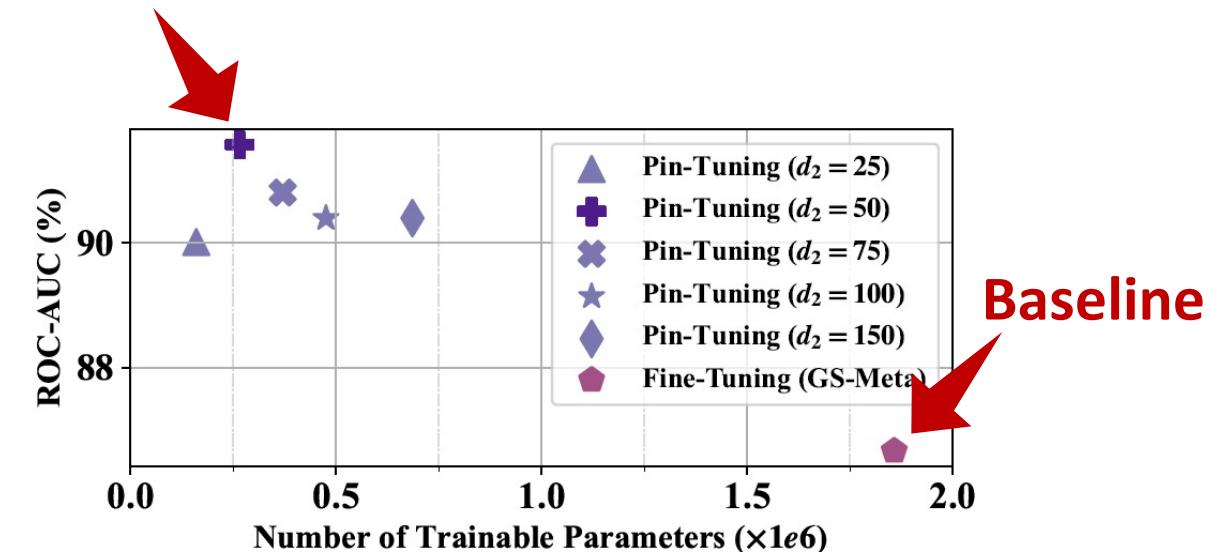


Figure 5: ROC-AUC (%) and number of trainable parameters of Pin-Tuning with varied value of  $d_2$  and full Fine-Tuning method (e.g., GS-Meta) on the Tox21 dataset.

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## Visualization

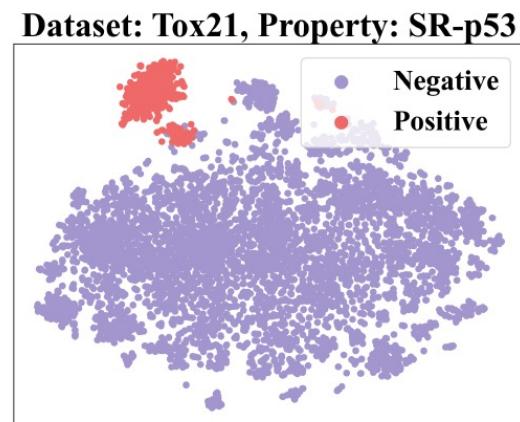
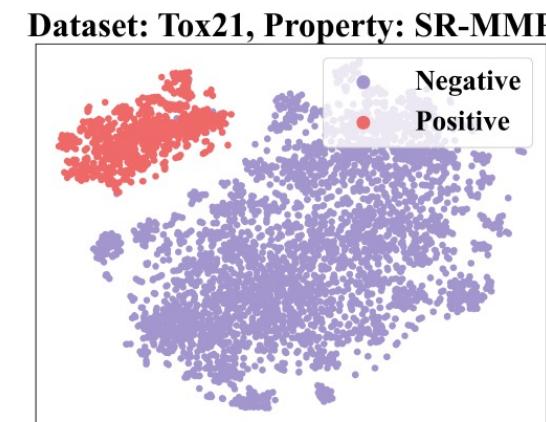
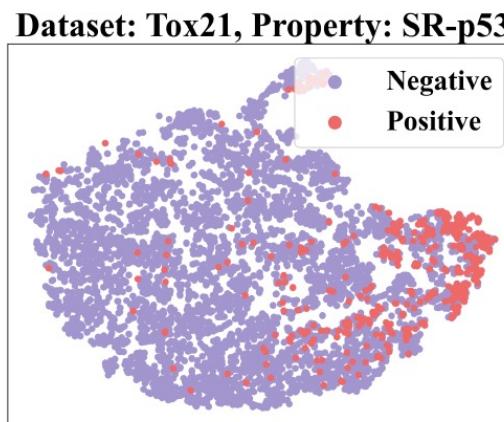
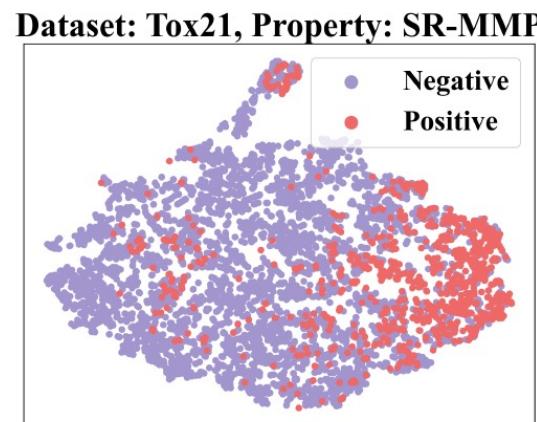


Figure 6: Molecular representations encoded by GS-Meta [58].

Figure 7: Molecular representations encoded by Pin-Tuning.

# Thank you for your attention!

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